FISCAL NOTE

HB 913 - SB 953

March 13, 2003

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows the Board of Optometry to decide on adequate professional education rather than requiring education from a school accredited by the National Commission on Accrediting or the United States Secretary of Education. This bill would only require that members of the Board of Optometry not be connected in any way with or have any financial interest in the optical dispensary or optical department of any institution of learning or in the wholesale optical or optometric supply business. This bill would also increase board members' per diem pay from \$50.00 to \$100.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$900 Increase State Revenues - \$900

Assumes 3 board meetings annually for six board members times the \$50 per diem increase. State law requires all licensing boards to be self-sufficient and revenues should equal expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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